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Applicants note that references AN, AO, BE, & BQ (WO 97/01628, WO 97/04733, WO 99/13074, & WO 02/29011 A2) listed on the attached Forms PTO-1449 are not written in English. Accordingly, the Examiner's attention is respectfully directed to the front cover of each document which sets forth an English language abstract.

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Respectfully submitted,

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	AC	5,753,506	05/19/98	Johe	435	377	
	AD	5,968,829	10/19/99	Carpenter	435	467	
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	AF	6,048,728	04/11/00	Inlow et al.	435	404	
	AG	6,090,624	07/18/00	Greenwood et al.	435	371	
	AH	6,121,231	09/19/00	Petit et al.	514	2	
	AI	6,183,735	02/06/01	Greenwood et al.	424	93.21	
	AJ	6,319,687	11/20/01	Chader et al.	435	69.1	

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	AL	6-90738	04/05/94	JP (+ Abstract in English)		
	AM	7-289249	11/07/95	JP (+ Abstract in English)		
	AN	WO 97/01628	01/16/97	WIPO		
	AO	WO 97/04733	02/13/97	WIPO		
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	BH	2000-139470	05/23/00	JP (+ Abstract in English)		
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	BJ	WO 00/40699	07/13/00	WIPO		
	BK	WO 00/52143	09/08/00	WIPO		
	BL	WO 01/09327 A2	02/08/01	WIPO		
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